

NOTICE OF DRAFTSPERSON'S PATENT DRAWING REVIEW

PTO Draftpersons review all originally filed drawings regardless of whether they are designated as formal or informal. Additionally, patent Examiners will review the drawings for compliance with the regulations. Direct telephone inquiries concerning this review to the Drawing Review Branch, 703-305-8404.

<p>The drawings filed (insert date) <u>7/20/98</u> are</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. not objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> B. objected to by the Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152 as indicated below. The Examiner will require submission of new, corrected drawings when necessary. Corrected drawings must be submitted according to the instructions on the back of this Notice.</p>						
<p>1. DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(a): Acceptable categories of drawings:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Black ink. Color.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not black solid lines. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Color drawings are not acceptable until petition is granted. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>2. PHOTOGRAPHS. 37 CFR 1.84(b)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Photographs are not acceptable until petition is granted. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Photographs not properly mounted (must use bristol board or photographic double-weight paper). Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Poor quality (half-tone). Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>3. GRAPHIC FORMS. 37 CFR 1.84(d)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Chemical or mathematical formula not labeled as separate figure. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Group of waveforms not presented as a single figure, using common vertical axis with time extending along horizontal axis. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Individuals waveform not identified with a separate letter designation adjacent to the vertical axis. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>4. TYPE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(c)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Paper not flexible, strong, white, smooth, nonshiny, and durable. Sheet(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, cracks, creases, and folds copy machine marks not accepted. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mylar, velum paper is not acceptable (too thin). Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>5. SIZE OF PAPER. 37 CFR 1.84(f): Acceptable sizes:</p> <p>21.6 cm. by 35.6 cm. (8 1/2 by 14 inches) 21.6 cm. by 33.1 cm. (8 1/2 by 13 inches) 21.6 cm. by 27.9 cm. (8 1/2 by 11 inches) 21.0 cm. by 29.7 cm. (DIN size A4)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> All drawing sheets not the same size. Sheet(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Drawing sheet not an acceptable size. Sheet(s) _____</p>						
<p>6. MARGINS. 37 CFR 1.84(g): Acceptable margins:</p> <p>Paper size _____</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>21.6 cm. X 35.6 cm. 21.6 cm. X 33.1 cm. 21.6 cm. X 27.9 cm. 21.0 cm. X 29.7 cm. (8 1/2 X 14 inches) (8 1/2 X 13 inches) (8 1/2 X 11 inches) (DIN Size A4)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>T .51 cm. (2") .25 cm. (1") .25 cm. (1") .25cm.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>L .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .25 cm.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.5 cm.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.0 cm.</td> </tr> </table> <p>Margins do not conform to chart above. Sheet(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Top (T) <input type="checkbox"/> Left (L) <input type="checkbox"/> Right (R) <input type="checkbox"/> Bottom (B)</p>		21.6 cm. X 35.6 cm. 21.6 cm. X 33.1 cm. 21.6 cm. X 27.9 cm. 21.0 cm. X 29.7 cm. (8 1/2 X 14 inches) (8 1/2 X 13 inches) (8 1/2 X 11 inches) (DIN Size A4)	T .51 cm. (2") .25 cm. (1") .25 cm. (1") .25cm.	L .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .25 cm.	R .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.5 cm.	B .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") .64 cm. (1/4") 1.0 cm.
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<p>7. VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(h)</p> <p>REMINDER: Specification may require revision to correspond to drawing changes.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> All views not grouped together. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Views connected by projection lines or lead lines. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Partial views. 37 CFR 1.84(h) 2</p>						
<p>8. ARRANGEMENT OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(i)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Words do not appear on a horizontal, left-to-right fashion when page is either upright or turned so that the top becomes the right side, except for graphs. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>9. SCALE. 37 CFR 1.84(k)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Scale not large enough to show mechanism with crowding when drawing is reduced in size to two-thirds in reproduction. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Indication such as "actual size" or scale 1/2" not permitted. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>10. CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(l)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lines, numbers & letters not uniformly thick and well defined, clean, durable, and black (except for color drawings). Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>11. SHADING. 37 CFR 1.84(m)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Solid black shading areas not permitted. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Shade lines, pale, rough and blurred. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>12. NUMBERS, LETTERS, & REFERENCE CHARACTERS. 37 CFR 1.84(p)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Numbers and reference characters not plain and legible. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(l) Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Numbers and reference characters not oriented in same direction as the view. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(l) Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> English alphabet not used. 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Numbers, letters, and reference characters do not measure at least .32 cm. (1/8 inch) in height. 37 CFR(p)(3) Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>13. LEAD LINES. 37 CFR 1.84(q)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lead lines cross each other. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lead lines missing. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>14. NUMBERING OF SHEETS OF DRAWINGS. 37 CFR 1.84(t)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sheets not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Sheet(s) _____</p>						
<p>15. NUMBER OF VIEWS. 37 CFR 1.84(u)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Views not numbered consecutively, and in Arabic numerals, beginning with number 1. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> View numbers not preceded by the abbreviation Fig. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>16. CORRECTIONS. 37 CFR 1.84(w)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Corrections not made from prior PTO-948. Fig(s) _____</p>						
<p>17. DESIGN DRAWING. 37 CFR 1.152</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Surface shading shown not appropriate. Fig(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Solid black shading not used for color contrast. Fig(s) _____</p>						

COMMENTS:

REMINDER

Drawing changes may also require changes in the specification, e.g., if Fig. 1 is changed to Fig. 1A, Fig. 1B, Fig. 1C, etc., the specification, at the Brief Description of the Drawings, must likewise be changed. Please make such changes by 37 CFR 1.312 Amendment at the time of submitting drawing changes.

INFORMATION ON HOW TO EFFECT DRAWING CHANGES

1. Correction of Informalities—37 CFR 1.85

File corrected drawings, with the changes incorporated therein. The application number or the title of the invention, inventor's name, docket number (if any), and the name and telephone number of a person to contact if the Office is unable to match the drawings to the proper application, should be placed on the back of the sheet of drawings in accordance with 37 CFR 1.84(c). Applicant may delay filing of the new drawings until receipt of the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37). Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136. The drawing should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Drawing Review Branch.

2. Timing of Corrections

Applicant is required to submit acceptable corrected drawings within the three-month shortened statutory period set in the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37). If a correction is determined to be unacceptable by the Office, applicant must arrange to have acceptable correction resubmitted within the original three-month period to avoid the necessity of obtaining an extension of time and paying the extension fee. Therefore, applicants should file corrected drawings as soon as possible.

Failing to take corrective action within set (or extended) period will result in ABANDONMENT of the Application.

Changes to Other than Informalities Noted by the Drawing Review Branch on the Form PTO 948

The changes to the drawings, other than informalities noted by the Drawing Review Branch, MUST be made before a patent or certificate of registration will be issued. No changes will be permitted to the drawings for the correction of informalities, unless the Examiner has approved the proposed change.